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Dear Friends:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to extend greetings to all in attendance at the 31st Annual Conference for the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness. Welcome to the beautiful and friendly City of Biloxi and the great State of Mississippi.

We hope that your visit will be a very pleasant one. While in Biloxi, please feel free to take advantage of the many wonderful experiences we offer. Dine on some fine Mississippi cuisine or take pleasure in one of our numerous cultural or entertainment events.

I look forward to working with the leaders of the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness during this conference and would like to extend best wishes for a very successful and highly productive meeting. If I may be of further assistance to you, please feel free to call on me.

Very truly yours,

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